

COMMON COUNCIL
MEETING HALL
AUGUST 19, 2003

- I. Mayor Fred Armstrong called a regular meeting of the City Common Council to order at approximately 7:05 P.M.
 - A. **Introduction of pages:** There were no pages this evening.
 - B. **Opening Prayer** was given by Paul Haugen from St. Peters Church.
 - C. **Pledge** – The Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance.
 - D. **Roll Call:** Present: John Brown, Ann DeVore, George Dutro, Craig Hawes, Robert Kittle, Martha Myers, August Tindell

Absent: None
 - E. **Acceptance of Minutes from the previous meeting** – Rob Kittle moved to accept the minutes from the August 5th meeting and Ann Devore seconded. The August 5th minutes were unanimously approved.
- II. Unfinished Business Requiring Council Action
 - A. **Second reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO. 25, 2003, AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA, ESTABLISHING THE CITY OF COLUMBUS DEPARTMENT OF REDEVELOPMENT AND THE CITY OF COLUMBUS REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION.”** Terry Coriden explained that two paragraphs were added to this Ordinance, paragraph 2 and 3. Mr. Coriden introduced Bruce Donaldson from Barnes and Thornburg. Mr. Donaldson was available to answer questions. Frank Jerome questioned where these funds would go. Mr. Donaldson stated that there would be four steps of approval to be met before anything over \$500,000 could be spent. Rick Scalf questioned who would decide. Mr. Donaldson stated that first approval from the Redevelopment Commission then the Plan Commission then to the City Council and back to the Redevelopment Commission for final approval. Bob Moats asked for an example of another city in Indiana that already has TIF. Mr. Donaldson commented that most every city of significant size already has this in place. Several comments were made by Rick Scalf who commended Councilman Tindell for taking a stand to vote against the Commission. Discussion continued from the audience for several minutes. There being no more comments, **George Dutro moved to pass the ordinance. Ann Devore seconded. The ordinance passed by a vote of 6 ayes to 1 nay from Councilman Tindell.**
 - B. **Second reading was given to an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO. 26, 2003, ORDINANCE VACATING PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY.”** Roger Hunt explained that this is the second reading of this ordinance to vacate Right-of-Way in Heritage Heights Mobile Home Park. There was no further discussion or questions. **John Brown moved for passage. Rob Kittle seconded. Ordinance passed by a vote of 6 ayes and 1 nay from George Dutro.**
 - C. **Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO.21, 2003, A RESOLUTION FOR EMPLOYER PARTICIPATION IN THE PICK-UP OF ADDITIONAL EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS.”** Linda Larson, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer, explained that this Resolution will allow city employees to contribute to their PERF retirement accounts, as a pre-taxed payroll deduction. **Craig Hawes moved for passage of the resolution. Martha Myers seconded. Resolution was passed by a vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.**
- III. Other Business
 - A. **Standing Committee and Liaison Reports.** Reports were given for informational purposes.
 - B. **The next scheduled meeting** of the Common Council is September 8th at 5:30 P.M.
 - C. **Adjourn** – Martha Myers moved to adjourn. Rob Kittle seconded. The motion to adjourn passed with 7 ayes and 0 nays. The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:32 P.M.

ATTEST:

Presiding Officer of the Common Council

Columbus City Clerk Treasurer